CLAIMS

1. An apparatus for treating waste water, comprising:

a packed bed of solid catalyst and/or solid adsorbent;

and

- (1) a pressure layer having an ability of following up a deformation or a movement of a surface of the packed bed, the pressure layer being provided on the packed bed, or
- (2) a layer for dispersing and mitigating an upward stream of waste water and/or gas, the layer being provided under the packed bed.
- 2. An apparatus for treating waste water, comprising:

a packed bed of solid catalyst and/or solid adsorbent;

a water-permeable pressure layer having an ability of following up a deformation of a surface of the packed bed,

wherein the water-permeable pressure layer is provided on the packed bed.

3. The apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising a partition for dividing the boundary area between an upper part of the packed bed and the water-

permeable pressure layer into a plurality of segments in a vertical direction.

- 4. The apparatus according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the water-permeable pressure layer has a void percentage of 20 to 70 volume percent.
- 5. The apparatus according to any one of claims 2 to 4, wherein the water-permeable pressure layer has a height of 30 to 1000mm.
- 6. The apparatus according to any one of claims 2 to 5, wherein the water-permeable pressure layer is constituted of a substance having a plurality of metallic or ceramics particles.
- 7. The apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the particle has an average particle diameter of 3 to 30mm.
- 8. The apparatus according to any one of claims 3 to 7, wherein the respective segments formed by the vertical partition have a cross-sectional area in a horizontal direction of 50 to 5000cm².
 - 9. The apparatus according to any one of claims 3

to 8, wherein the partition has a height of 20 to 300cm in a vertical direction.

- 10. The apparatus according to any one of claims 2 to 9, wherein a layer for dispersing and mitigating an upward stream of waste water and/or gas is provided under the packed bed.
- 11. The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer has a height of 10 to 300mm.
- 12. The apparatus according to claim 10 or 11, wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer has a void percentage of 20 to 99 volume percentage.
- 13. The apparatus according to any one of claims 10 to 12, wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer includes a substance having a plurality of metallic or ceramics particles.
- 14. The apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the metallic or ceramics particle has an average particle diameter of 3 to 30mm.

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15. An apparatus for treating waste water, comprising a packed bed of solid catalyst and/or solid adsorbent; and

a layer for dispersing and mitigating an upstream of waste water and/or gas,

wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer is provided under the packed bed.

- 16. The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer has a height of 10 to 300mm.
- 17. The apparatus according to claim 15 or 16, wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer has a void percentage of 20 to 99 volume percentage.
- 18. The apparatus according to any one of claims
 15 to 17, wherein the dispersing and mitigating layer is
 constituted by a substance having a plurality of metallic or
 ceramics particles.
- 19. The apparatus according to claim 18, wherein the metallic or ceramics particle has an average particle diameter of 3 to 30mm.

20. The apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 19, used in a wet-exidation treatment.

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